Introduced by Assembly Member Nakanishi

February 22, 2007

An act to amend Section 10702 of the Insurance Code, relating to health care coverage.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 707, as introduced, Nakanishi. Health insurance: small employer groups.

Existing law provides for the regulation of insurers by the Department of Insurance. Existing law establishes a comprehensive scheme for providing health insurance coverage to employees of small employer groups and the dependents of those employees, and regulates insurance carriers writing, issuing, or administering health benefit plans that cover employees of small employers, as specified.

This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 10702 of the Insurance Code is amended 2 to read:
- 3 10702. All carriers writing, issuing, or administering health
- 4 benefit plans that cover employees of small employers shall be
- 5 subject to this chapter if any one either of the following conditions
- 6 are met:

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(a) Any portion of the premium for any health benefit plan or benefits is paid by a small employer, or any covered individual is reimbursed, whether through wage adjustments or otherwise, by a small employer for any portion of the premium.

(b) The health benefit plan is treated by the small employer or any of the covered individuals as part of a plan or program for the purposes of Section 106 or 162 of the Internal Revenue Code.